

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
 E. COLE ET AL. )  
 Application No.: Unassigned )  
 Filed: April 17, 2001 )  
 For: ENTERIC AND COLONIC )  
 DELIVERY USING HPMC CAPSULES: )

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Commissioner for Patents  
 Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

This amendment is being filed with the application to properly cross-reference the related applications. Applicants respectfully request entry of this amendment.

Please amend the specification as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

After the title but prior to Line 2, please insert:

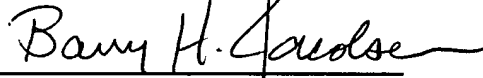
"This application is a continuation of application SN 09/396,225 filed on September 15, 1999, which claims priority to Provisional Application SN 60/102,017 filed on September 28, 1998."

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If the Examiner has any questions, please contact the undersigned attorney  
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Respectfully submitted



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